Vacancies of Judges in Madhya Pradesh High Court

295. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI : SHRI CHANDAN SHARMA :

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of vacancies of Judges still existing in Madhya Pradesh High Court;

(b) by when these are likely to be filled up; and

(c) whether Government propose to appoint at least one Judge from the SC/ST community while filling up the remaining vacancies ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) There are 6 vacancies in the Madhya Pradesh High Court.

(b) and (c) The State authorities of Madhya Pradesh have been requested to send recommendations expeditiously for filling up the vacancies, and they have been requested to consider providing representation to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, women etc. It is not possible to indicate any definite date by which the vacancies will be filled up.

Issue of Bonds by Power Finance Corporation

296. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the Power Finance Corporation (PFC) seeking permission for issue of bonds worth Rs. 750 crores during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the salient features of the proposal and whether Government are considering to allow PFC to issue the bonds;

(c) whether provision was made in the Union Budget (1989-90) for the issue of such bonds; and

(d) if no provision was made what are the reasons for such deviation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI) : (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. A proposal from the Power Finance Corporation seeking permission for issue of bonds worth Rs. 650 Crores has been received which is under consideration.

Functioning of settlement Commission

297. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of cases filed with the Settlement Commission year-wise, at its four centres separately;

(b) what is the number of cases disposed of and the number of cases pending year-wise separately at the four centres:

(c) what amount has been collected by way of taxes in the cases disposed of year-wise and centre-wise;

(d) whether the taxes collected is in proportion to the normal collection made at these centres;

(e) whether it has come to the notice of Government that some centres are functioning at a disproportionately slow pace as compared to the other centres; and

(f) is so, what remedial measures are proposed ?